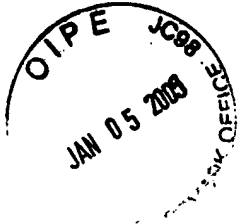


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**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2004, the period for response extending through January 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are included in the attached replacement drawing sheet. The amendments are discussed in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.